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Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (twice amended) A compound 8 to 50 nucleobases in length targeted to a 5'-untranslated region, a coding region, a stop codon region, or a 3'-untranslated region of a nucleic acid molecule of SEQ ID NO: 3 encoding hematopoietic cell protein tyrosine kinase, or an intron 5 region, an intron:exon junction region, or an intron 9 region of a nucleic acid molecule of SEQ ID NO: 10 encoding hematopoietic cell protein tyrosine kinase, wherein said compound specifically hybridizes with one of said regions and inhibits the expression of hematopoietic cell protein tyrosine kinase.



15. (amended) A method of inhibiting the expression of hematopoietic cell protein tyrosine kinase in cells or tissues comprising contacting cells or tissues in vitro with the compound of claim 1 so that expression of hematopoietic cell protein tyrosine kinase is inhibited.

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2 and 4-20 are pending in the instant application. Claims 1, 2 and 4-20 have been rejected. Claims 11 and 16-20 have been canceled. Claims 1 and 15 have been amended. No new matter has been added by these amendments. Reconsideration is